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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE-2009-10 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2156

Introduced by Assembly Member Evans

February 18, 2010

An act to amend Section 1050 of the Military and Veterans Code, relating to veterans.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2156, as amended, Evans. Military and veterans: Veterans' Home Allied Council.

Existing law establishes the Veterans' Home Allied Council pursuant to the constitution of the Allied Council, Veterans' Home of California, comprised of members of the home, as an advisory body to the Administrator of the Veterans' Home.

This bill would additionally permit the Veterans' Home Allied Council to represent veterans who reside in a veterans' home in matters before the Legislature *if the council, in the course of providing that representation, complies with specified requirements, as prescribed.*

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 1050 of the Military and Veterans Code
- 2 is amended to read:
- 3 1050. The Veterans' Home Allied Council, which is established
- 4 pursuant to the constitution of the Allied Council, Veterans' Home
- 5 of California, and which is composed of members of the home, is

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1 hereby recognized as an established advisory body to the 2 administrator. The Veterans' Home Allied Council may also 3 represent veterans who reside at a veterans' home in matters before 4 the Legislature. In the course of providing that representation, the 5 council shall comply with the following requirements:

- (a) The council's representation shall be approved by a majority of the voting members of the council.
- (b) The council shall not engage in any campaign or endorse public candidates in connection with that representation.
- 10 (c) The council's actions shall be in accordance with its 11 constitution, bylaws, and policies and procedures.